

Method and Apparatus for Managing an Operation

Abstract of Disclosure

A computerized method of defining or of modifying a work scope. One method includes: providing a list of tasks; selecting a desired task from the list; adding the desired task to the work scope; determining whether a related task exists; and adding the related task to the work scope if the related task exists. Another method includes: providing a work scope, the work scope comprising a plurality of tasks; choosing a selected task from the of tasks; locating an alternate task that is suitable as a substitute for the selected task; determining whether a conflict exists between the alternate task and a remainder of the tasks; and substituting the selected task in the work scope with the alternate task if no conflict exists. A computerized method of displaying a graphical representation of a relationship between data elements within a database, comprising the steps of: providing a database of data groups, each of the data groups containing at least one data element; selecting a desired one of the data elements; searching the database for instances of the desired data element; determining a relationship between the data groups which contain the desired data element; and displaying said relationship.

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